# CHANGE OF VENUE IN MURDER CASES

Suspects in "Northeast" Tragedy Will Be Tried in Prince Edward County.

ENOUGH EVIDENCE

Nolle Prosequi Is Entered in Cases of Five of the Negroes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] POWHATAN C. H., VA., May 26.— Court opened at 10 o'clock this morn-In the case of Charles and Em-

Court opened at 10 o'clock this morning. In the case of Charles and Emmanuel Brown, accused of compilcity in the Skipwith-Johnson murder at "Northeast," the Commonwealth's attorney stated that he did not have evidence sufficient to go into trial at this term of court, and moved for a continuance. This motion the counsel for the prisoners opposed on the ground that since February, when the first arrests were made, the Commonwealth had had ample time to gather all the evidence possible, and that if the cases were dismissed now the negroes could be reindicted if more evidence should be uiscovered implicating them.

The court stated that the Constitution guaranteed to the accused a speedy trial, and the statute required that they be tried at the same term in which they were indicted if praticable. The judge did not think that he ought to restrain these men of their liberty longer, and that they should be tried now unless the Commonwealth's attorney could convince him that he had the prospect of discovering important evidence. Thereupon the Commonwealth's attorney asked leave to enter a nolle prosequiful the cases of Charles and Emmanuel Brown, Oilie Ress, Monle Johnson and of Anna Taylor, which the judge allowed.

The Commonwealth's Attorney stated

the Commonwealth of the Mannie Taylor, that he and Harry Smith, her nsel, had agreed to let it go over the next term. The judge stated t under the circumstances he that under the circumstances he thought he had better change the wenue in the latter case and in the cases of Fleming, Stepney and Robert Johnson, the boys who turned State's evidence, to Prince Edward county, where they will all be tried June 15. This will in all probability and the Skipwith and Johnson murder

or, was brought here to day from ichmond in custody of Deputy Sheriff lichaux. She appeared to be ill, and he court requested the jall physician is see her. Later in the afternoon she

n connection with the Skipwith and chason murder, and I regret to have o allude to an attempt of certain Johnson murder, and I regret to have to allude to an attempt of certain to allude to an attempt of certain people in this community to interfere with the ordinary course of justice by publications in the newspapers, the object of which was to array public sentiment on one side or the other in these cases. This is the most extraordinary and outrageous attempt I have ever known to try men by public opinion instead of by the organized and duly authorized tribunals established for that purpose, and such conduct will not be tolerated for a moment by this court. I have thought that it might be my duty to summon these persons to the bar of this court to answer for this attempt to interfere with the administration of justice, but I am willing to believe, and do believe, that some who participated in these publications did it thoughtlessly and without realizing the great impropriety of their conduct. Therefore, I shall pass it by, only imposing upon you the duty of entirely ignoring this improper effort to influence the trial of these cases, and to do your duty by indicting these men if you think of these cases, and to do your duty by indicting these men if you think the evidence justifies it, or by refusing to indict them if you do not think the evidence connects them with this mur-

Judge Hundley.

He showed no bitterness, as stated in papers of yesterday. The court did not consider that the articles were intended to cast, or did cast, any reflection upon itself or any officer or juror, and the cordial relations existing between the judge and the officers and citizens have in no wise been affected.

Sworn into Office.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SALISBURY. N. C., May 28.—MayorElect A. Lee Smooth and a newly elected Board of Alderman for Salisbury
were sworn into office Monday at noon,
and Mayor Boyden, after eight years
of service, retired to private life.

Wins Debaters' Medal,

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WELDON, N. C., May 26.—At the annual celebration of the Lee Literary Society at the Public School Auditorium Tuesday evening, William T. Shaw, Jr., won the debaters' medal, a very handeome gold Maltese cross, offered by Superintendent Latham for the best oration.

Republican Meeting,
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CULPEPER, VA., May 25.—A Republican mass meeting will be held at Culpeper on June 3 to elect delegates and alternates to represent Culpeper county at the State Republican Convention to be held in Newport News July 28.

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### OFFICERS ELECTED BY COTTON ASSOCIATION





# SMARTING UNDER

Exchange Officials Make Hot Reply, but Prominent Member Agrees With Spinners.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] NEW YORK, May 26.—No little agitation has been started on the New tation has been started on the New York Cotton Exchange by dispatches from Richmond announcing that the American Cotton Manufacturers' Asso-ciation has adopted resolutions ap-proving the New Orleans Cotton Ex-change methods and contrasting them with those declared to obtain in this city. George Brennecke, president of the New York Exchange, said to-day; "The 'deal' contract recently adopt-

"The 'ideal' contract recently adopted by the New Orleans Cotton Exchange is a copy of the one which has been in existence in the New York Cotton Exchange for about twenty-five

to see her. Later in the afternoon she was recognized to appear in Prince Edward court June 15 at 10 o'clock in the sum of \$500. William Booker, William Cooper and Joseph Fisher, all colored, went her bail.

Judge Hundley's address to the grand Jury yesterday, in which be commented on certain newspaper publications, was as follows:

"Gentlemen, you have been summanded to take into consideration in dictiments of two men who have been dictiments of two men who have been dictiments of two men who have been sumthing the state of the exchange, protested against "the impudent misrepresentations contained in the remarks of Captain Ellison A. Smyth and L. W. Parker, as reported."

Arthur P. Marsh, vice-president of the exchange, protested against "the impudent misrepresentations contained in the remarks of Captain Ellison A. Smyth and L. W. Parker, as reported," and declared them to be of a "disingenuous" nature. Mr. Marsh went on to say: "The total number of intermediary grades on the New Orleans Exchange is twenty-four, as against five

President Parker and Chairman Smyth Stand in Forefront With American Spinners.

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on a firm basis. It is naturally a distinct compliment to the city of Greenville that it should furnish a national association of spiriters with a president and chairman of its governing board the same year. Captain Smyth's Pelzer mill operates 130.000 spindles, the capacity of the Belton mills being 53.000, his total number being 183.000 spindles.

Charles K. Oliver, of Baltimore, who was elected vice-president, was formerly associated with the mills in Collumbia, some years before Mr. Parker took charge there. He is president of the Mount Vernon-Woodbury Duck Company, a concern which controls twenty-six cotton mills, extending all the way from Nova Scotla to Texas.

GRADUATING EXERCISES.

Address of the Day is Delivered by Bishop Curry.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch] RALEIGH, N. C., May 25.—Al the graduating exercises of St. Mary's School this morning the commencement address was delivered by Rt. Rev. William Alexander Curry, bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, Diplomas were presented to the following graduates: Miss Saille Haywood Battle, Miss Georgia Stanton Hales, Miss Minnie Leary, Miss Mary Parker Bourne, Miss Mildred Bordam, Miss Bessie Sine Georgia, Miss Mary Parker Bourne, Miss Mildred Bordam, Miss Bessie Wilson Arthur, Miss Mary Parker Bourne, Miss Mildred Bordam, Miss Bessie Wilson Arthur, Miss Halle, Jordan Carrisen.

Expert Tells Spinners That Present American Policy Is National Suicide.

cussed before the cotton manufacturers esterday morning by John H. Finney

phia, be added to the committee, which was done, and the committee continued.

Chairman C. H. Gotton reported that the committee on by-laws had a number of matters pending, but had no report to make at this convention, and the committee was continued.

Secretary Bryant's Report.

Although the business session which followed was for the participation of active members only, President Rennie invited all present to remain, and called for the reading of the report of the secretary and treasurer, which was presented by Charles B. Bryant, of Charlotte, N. C. He reported three meetings of the board during the year, the appointment of a tariff committee to attend the tariff convention at Indianapolis; the sending of representatives to Washington to consult Congressmen, and other business. During the year the association has received fifty-two new active members, lost ten by death and fifty-eight by resignation or failure to pay the annual dues, leaving a fiet membership at the close of the fiscal year of 1,077. Although not quite as large as last year, the secretary reported that the association is in better shape than ever by reason of the elimination of dead timber. The treasurer's report showed the year beginning with a balance of \$1,281; receipts from dues and sale of book of proceedings of \$4,176; expenses of \$4,570.26. The report of the secretary and treasurer was received, with the list of new members, and ordered spread upon the minutes.

Chairman D. C. Finney, of Huntaville, Ala, presented the report of the committee on resolutions, which on motion was taken up and disposed of seriatim.

There were the usual resolutions of thanks, or President Rennie. Secretary thanks, or President Rennie.

secretary and treasurer of the Appalachian National Forest Association. The subject was treated from both a national and State point of view. The forest situation, he claimed, had now reached an acute stage, when it must prove of vital interest to every citizen. In his effort to show what the conservation movement means, the stopping of the waste which surrounds the every-oay uses of natural resources, he said in part:

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"In Coal—While none was mined in 1812, we used in 1907 five tons and to the professor the convention, all of which were adopted unanimously.

"In Irom Ore—At our present increasing rate of consumption our supply of high grade ore will approach complete exhaustion by the middle of the present century.

"In Natural Gas—Ohr production in 1907 was \$400,000,000 cubic feet; our waste-was 1,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our waste-was 1,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our waste-was 1,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our waste-was 1,000,000 cubic feet; our showing in our soil resources, for of our total land area of 1,900,000,000 cubic feet; our waste-was 1,000,000 cubic feet; our wast

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Protection and Tariff Commission.

"Resolved, That this association express its thanks to D. A. Tompkins for his very sible address upon the ambiget of The Tariff on Cotton Textiles," and expresses its entire approval of the augression mask by him for the appointment of a tariff commission.

"J. Iterolved Tariher, That this association, recognizing that a tariff is essential for the raising of revenue for the government, feels that such tariff is essential for the raising of revenue for the government, feels that such tariff is essential grotection, to those industries at a disadvantage in manufacturing in contrasted with foreign manufacturing in contrasted to pince such duties on cotton goods of the United States is done under such disadvantage in decimal provides just the provision for these within the limits of our country.

"E. Resolved files, that such tariff is essential for the raising of revenue for the government of a tariff commission."

It is a triple to cotton manufacturers as to a protective tariff and a tariff commission.

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Tariff is Disrepute.

Mr. Tompkins responded that a commission would put Congress in a position of framing a tariff bill without "a jumble and infinite disturbance to "a jumble and infinite disturbance to "business." "If this thing goes on." he said, "the tariff may come into disrepute as a thing that is 'tworked at' and messed with under cover. Nobody has proposed any better way of raising the revenue, and I believe the commission the most honest way of fixing the tariff schedules."

The question was divided and the sessociation adopted the entire solution as given above, the committee recommendation to cut out the first

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